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In re Application of:

Shinichi YAMADA *et al.*

Application No.: 09/857,495

Group Art Unit: 1617

Filed: June 28, 2001

Examiner: G. Yu

For: COSMETIC COMPOSITION
 COMPRISING AT LEAST A CATION,
 A LIQUID FATTY ALCOHOL AND AT
 LEAST A CERAMIDE TYPE
 COMPOUND AND METHOD USING
 SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR
 RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2002, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks in this Request for Reconsideration. The period for response has been extended one month, to January 24, 2003, by the petition and fee filed herewith.

AMENDMENT**In the Claims:**

Please replace claims 30, 54, 55, 61, 69, and 79 with the corresponding amended claims as follows:

30. (Amended) The composition according to claim 19, wherein said at least one liquid fatty alcohol is chosen from lauryl alcohol, isomyristyl alcohol,

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